1. A process for producing a compound of formula (5) or a salt thereof:

5 [F3]

$$-N$$
 N (5)

wherein the process is characterized by comprising reacting a compound of formula (3) or a salt thereof:

[F1]

$$-N \longrightarrow N$$
 (3)

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with a metal cyanide, to thereby obtain a compound of formula (4) or a salt thereof:

[F2]

$$-N \longrightarrow N$$
 (4)

- 15 and hydrolyzing the obtained compound or a salt thereof.
 - 2. A process for producing a compound of formula (4) or a salt thereof:

[F5]

$$-N \longrightarrow N$$
 (4)

wherein the process is characterized by comprising reacting a compound of formula (3) or a salt thereof:

[F4]

$$-N \longrightarrow_{N}^{S \longrightarrow Br}$$
 (3)

- 5 with a metal cyanide.
 - 3. A process for producing a compound of formula (5) or a salt thereof:

[F7]

$$-N$$
 N N N N N N

wherein the process is characterized by comprising hydrolyzing a compound of formula (4) or a salt thereof.

[F6]

$$-N \longrightarrow N$$
 (4)

- 4. The process according to claim 1 or 2, wherein the 15 metal cyanide is a mixture of sodium cyanide and copper cyanide.
 - 5. The process according to claim 1 or 3, wherein the hydrolysis is performed through treatment with an aqueous solution of an alkali metal hydroxide.
- 20 6. The process according to claim 5, wherein the alkali metal hydroxide is lithium hydroxide.

7. A process for producing a compound of formula (5) or a salt thereof:

[F10]

[F8]

$$-N \longrightarrow N$$
 (5)

5 wherein the process is characterized by comprising reacting a compound of formula (2) or a salt thereof:

with an alkali metal nitrite in the presence of a reducing

10 agent in an aqueous solution of an acidic compound, to

thereby obtain a compound of formula (6) or a salt thereof:

[F9]

$$-N \longrightarrow N$$
 (6)

and reacting the obtained compound or a salt thereof with

15 trihalogenoacetyl halide in the presence of a base, followed

by hydrolysis.

8. A process for producing a compound of formula (6) or a salt thereof:

[F12]

$$-N \longrightarrow N$$
 (6)

wherein the process is characterized by comprising reacting a compound of formula (2) or a salt thereof:

[F11]

$$-N \longrightarrow N$$
 (2)

with an alkali metal nitrite in the presence of a reducing agent in an aqueous solution of an acidic compound.

9. A process for producing a compound of formula (5) or a salt thereof:

10 [F14]

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$$-N \longrightarrow N$$
 (5)

wherein the process is characterized by comprising reacting a compound of formula (6) or a salt thereof:

[F13]

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$$-N \longrightarrow N$$
 (6)

with trihalogenoacetyl halide in the presence of a base, followed by hydrolysis.

10. The process according to claim 7 or 8, wherein the reducing agent is hypophosphorous acid.

- 11. The process according to claim 7 or 8, wherein the alkali metal nitrite is sodium nitrite.
- 12. The process according to claim 7 or 9, wherein the base is a tertiary amine.
- 13. The process according to claim 7 or 9, wherein trihalogenoacetyl halide is trichloroacetyl chloride.
 - 14. The process according to claim 7 or 9, wherein the hydrolysis is performed through treatment with an aqueous solution of an alkali metal hydroxide.
- 15. The process according to claim 14, wherein the alkali metal hydroxide is lithium hydroxide.
 - 16. A process for producing a compound of formula (5)
 or a salt thereof:
 [F18]

$$-N \longrightarrow N$$
 (5)

wherein the process is characterized by comprising reacting a compound of formula (1) or a salt thereof:

[F15]

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$$-N$$
 $=0$ (1)

20 with sulfur powder and cyanamide in the presence of a secondary amine, to thereby obtain a compound of formula (2) or a salt thereof:
[F16]

$$-N \longrightarrow N$$
 (2)

and reacting the obtained compound or a salt thereof hydrobromic acid and alkali metal nitrite, to thereby obtain a compound of formula (3) or a salt thereof:

5 [F17]

$$-N \longrightarrow N$$
 (3)

and reacting the obtained compound or a salt thereof with alkyllithium and carbon dioxide.

17. A process for producing a compound of formula (2)

10 or a salt thereof:

[F20]

$$-N \longrightarrow N$$
 (2)

wherein the process is characterized by comprising reacting a compound of formula (1) or a salt thereof:

15 [F19]

$$-N$$
 0 (1)

with sulfur powder and cyanamide in the presence of a secondary amine.

18. A process for producing a compound of formula (3)20 or a salt thereof:

[F22]

$$-N \longrightarrow N$$
 (3)

wherein the process is characterized by comprising reacting a compound of formula (2) or a salt thereof:

5 [F21]

$$-N \longrightarrow N$$
 (2)

with hydrobromic acid and an alkali metal nitrite.

- 19. The process according to claim 16, wherein alkyllithium is n-butyl lithium.
- 10 20. The process according to claim 16 or 17, wherein the secondary amine is pyrrolidine.
 - 21. The process according to claim 16 or 17, wherein the alkali metal nitrite is sodium nitrite.
- 22. A salt formed between an acidic compound and a compound of formula (4).

[F23]

$$-N \longrightarrow N$$
 (4)

23. A salt formed between an acidic compound and a compound of formula (5).

20 [F24]

$$-N \longrightarrow N$$
 (5)

24. A salt formed between an acidic compound and a compound of formula (6).

[F25]

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$$-N \longrightarrow N$$
 (6)

25. A salt formed between an acidic compound and a compound of formula (2).

[F26]

$$-N \longrightarrow N \longrightarrow N$$
 (2)

26. A salt formed between an acidic compound and a compound of formula (3).

[F27]

$$-N \longrightarrow N$$
 (3)

- 27. The salt according to claim 22 or 23, wherein the acidic compound is hydrochloric acid.
 - 28. The salt according to claim 24 or 26, wherein the acidic compound is p-toluenesulfonic acid.
 - 29. The salt according to claim 25, wherein the acidic compound is hydrobromic acid.

30. A process for producing a compound of formula (8) or a salt thereof:
[F30]

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5 (wherein each of R^1 and R^2 represents hydrogen atom, hydroxyl, alkyl or alkoxy;

Q¹ represents C1-C8 alkylene, C2-C8 alkenylene, or $-(CH_2)_m$ - CH_2 -A- CH_2 - $(CH_2)_n$ -(wherein each of m and n represents 0 or an integer of 1 to 3 and A represents an oxygen atom, a nitrogen atom, a sulfur atom, -SO-, -SO₂-, -NH-, -O-NH-, -NH-NH-, -S-NH-, -SO-NH-, or SO₂-NH-);

each of R^3 and R^4 , which is a substituent linked to a carbon atom, a nitrogen atom, or a sulfur atom forming the Q^1 -containing ring, represents a hydrogen atom, hydroxyl, alkyl,

alkenyl, alkynyl, a halogen atom, halogenoalkyl, cyano, cyanoalkyl, amino, aminoalkyl, N-alkylaminoalkyl, N,N-dialkylaminoalkyl, acyl, acylalkyl, acylamino which may have a subsituent, alkoxyimino, hydroxyimino, acylaminoalkyl, alkoxy, alkoxyalkyl, hydroxyalkyl, carboxyl, carboxyalkyl,

20 alkoxycarbonyl, alkoxycarbonylalkyl, alkoxycarbonylalkylamino, carboxyalkylamino, alkoxycarbonylamino,

alkoxycarbonylaminoalkyl, carbamoyl, N-alkylcarbamoyl whose alkyl may or may not be substituted, N,N-dialkylcarbamoyl whose alkyl may or may not be substituted, N-alkenylcarbamoyl,

N-alkenylcarbamoylalkyl, N-alkenyl-N-alkylcarbamoyl, N-alkenyl-N-alkylcarbamoylalkyl, N-alkoxycarbamoyl, N-alkyl-N-alkoxycarbamoylalkyl, N-alkyl-N-alkoxycarbamoylalkyl, carbazoyl which may be substituted by 1 to 3 alkyl groups, alkylsulfonyl, alkylsulfonylalkyl, 3- to 6-membered heterocyclic carbonyl which may have a substituent, carbamoylalkyl, N-alkylcarbamoylalkyl whose alkyl may or may not be substituted, N,N-dialkylcarbamoylalkyl whose alkyl may or may not be substituted, carbamoyloxyalkyl, N-alkylcarbamoyloxyalkyl, N-alkylcarbamoyloxyalkyl, N,N-dialkylcarbamoyloxyalkyl, 3- to 6-membered heterocyclic carbonylalkyl which may have a

which may have a substituent, aryl, aralkyl, 3- to 6-membered heterocyclic group which may have a substituent, 3- to 6
15 membered heterocyclic alkyl which may have a substituent, alkylsulfonylamino, arylsulfonylamino, arylsulfonylamino, alkylsulfonylaminoalkyl, arylsulfonylaminoalkyl, alkylsulfonylaminocarbonyl, arylsulfonylaminocarbonyl,

alkylsulfonylaminocarbonylalkyl,

substituent, 3- to 6-membered heterocyclic carbonyloxyalkyl

arylsulfonylaminocarbonylalkyl, oxo, carbamoyloxy, aralkyloxy,
 carboxyalkyloxy, alkoxycarbonylalkyloxy, acyloxy,
 acyloxyalkyl, arylsulfonyl, alkoxycarbonylalkylsulfonyl,
 carboxyalkylsulfonyl, alkoxycarbonylacyl,
 alkoxyalkyloxycarbonyl, hydroxyacyl, alkoxyacyl, halogenoacyl,
carboxyacyl, aminoacyl, acyloxyacyl, acyloxyalkylsulfonyl,
 hydroxyalkylsulfonyl, alkoxyalkylsulfonyl, 3- to 6-membered
 heterocyclic sulfonyl which may have a substituent, 3- to 6-

membered heterocyclic oxy which may have a substituent, N-alkylaminoacyl, N,N-dialkylaminoacyl, N,N-dialkylaminoacyl, N,N-dialkylcarbamoylacyl whose alkyl may or may not be substituted, N,N-dialkylcarbamoylalkylsulfonyl whose alkyl

may or may not be substituted, alkylsulfonylacyl, Narylcarbamoyl, N-3- to 6-membered heterocyclic carbamoyl, Nalkyl-N-arylcarbamoyl, N-alkyl-N-3- to 6-membered
heterocyclic carbamoyl, N-arylcarbamoylalkyl, N-3- to 6membered heterocyclic carbamoylalkyl, N-alkyl-N-

arylcarbamoylalkyl, N-alkyl-N-3- to 6-membered heterocyclic carbamoylalkyl, aminocarbothioyl, N-alkylaminocarbothioyl, N,N-dialkylaminocarbothioyl, alkoxyalkyl(thiocarbonyl), alkylthioalkyl, or N-acyl-N-alkylaminoalkyl; when R³ and R⁴ are linked together to form a group, the group represents C1-

15 C5 alkylene, C2-C5 alkenylene, C1-C5 alkylenedioxy, or carbonyldioxy;

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 Q^2 represents aryl which may have a substituent, arylalkenyl which may have a substituent, arylalkynyl which may have a substituent, heteroaryl which may have a substituent,

heteroarylalkenyl which may have a substituent, a saturated or unsaturated bicyclic or tricyclic condensed hydrocarbon group which may have a substituent, or a saturated or unsaturated bicyclic or tricyclic condensed heterocyclic group which may have a substituent;

25 T^1 represents carbonyl, sulfonyl, -C(=0)-C(=0)-N(R')-, -C(=0)-C(=0)-, -C(=0)-C(=0)-, -C(=0)-C(=0)-, -C(=0)-C(=0)-, -C(=0)-, -C(=0)-

alkoxy), $-C(=0)-A^1-N(R'')-$ (wherein A^1 represents an C1-C5 alkylene which may have a substituent and R" represents a hydrogen atom, hydroxyl, alkyl, or alkoxy), -C(=O)-NH-, -C(=S)-NH-, -C(=O)-NH-NH-, $-C(=O)-A^2-C(=O)-$ (wherein A^2 represents a single bond or C1-C5 alkylene), $-C(=0)-A^3-C(=0)$ -5 NH- (wherein A^3 represents C1-C5 alkylene), -C(=0)-C(=NOR^a)- $N(R^b)$ -, -C(=S)-C(=NOR^a)-N(R^b)- (wherein R^a represents a hydrogen atom, alkyl, or alkanoyl and Rb represents a hydrogen atom, hydroxyl, alkyl, or alkoxy), -C(=O)-N=N-, -C(=S)-N=N-, $-C(=NOR^{C})-C(=O)-N(R^{d})-$ (wherein R^{C} represents a 10 hydrogen atom, alkyl, alkanoyl, aryl, or aralkyl and Rd represents a hydrogen atom, hydroxyl, alkyl, or alkoxy), - $C(=N-N(R^e)(R^f))-C(=0)-N(R^g)-$ (wherein, each of R^e and R^f represents a hydrogen atom, alkyl, alkanoyl, or alkyl(thiocarbonyl) and Rg represents a hydrogen atom, 15 hydroxyl, alkyl, or alkoxy), -C(=O)-NH-C(=O)-, -C(=S)-NH-C (=O) -, -C (=O) -NH-C (=S) -, -C (=S) -NHC (=S) -, $-C (=O) -NH-SO_2 -$, $-C (=O) -NH-SO_2 SO_2-NH-$, -C (=NCN) -NH-C (=O) -, -C (=S) -C (=O) -, or thiocarbonyl), wherein the process is characterized by comprising reacting a compound which is represented by formula (5) and which is 20 produced through a process according to claim 1, 3, 7, 9, or 16 or a salt thereof: [F28]

$$-N$$
 N N N N N

25 with diamines of formula (7) or a salt thereof:

[F29]

(wherein R^1 , R^2 , R^3 , R^4 , T^1 , Q^1 , and Q^2 have the same meanings as described above).

31. A process for producing a compound of formula (8) or a salt thereof:
[F36]

(wherein each of ${\ensuremath{\mbox{R}}}^1$ and ${\ensuremath{\mbox{R}}}^2$ represents a hydrogen atom,

10 hydroxyl, alkyl or alkoxy;

Q¹ represents C1-C8 alkylene, C2-C8 alkenylene, or $-(CH_2)_m$ - CH_2 -A- CH_2 - $(CH_2)_n$ -(wherein each of m and n represents 0 or an integer of 1 to 3 and A represents an oxygen atom, a nitrogen atom, a sulfur atom, -SO-, -SO₂-, -NH-, -O-NH-, -NH-NH-, -S-

15 NH-, -SO-NH-, or SO_2 -NH-);

each of R^3 and R^4 , which is a substituent linked to a carbon atom, a nitrogen atom, or a sulfur atom forming the Q^1 -containing ring, represents a hydrogen atom, hydroxyl, alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, a halogen atom, halogenoalkyl, cyano,

cyanoalkyl, amino, aminoalkyl, N-alkylaminoalkyl, N,N-dialkylaminoalkyl, acyl, acylalkyl, acylamino which may have a subsituent, alkoxyimino, hydroxyimino, acylaminoalkyl, alkoxy, alkoxyalkyl, hydroxyalkyl, carboxyl, carboxyalkyl,

alkoxycarbonyl, alkoxycarbonylalkyl, alkoxycarbonylalkylamino, carboxyalkylamino, alkoxycarbonylamino,

alkoxycarbonylaminoalkyl, carbamoyl, N-alkylcarbamoyl whose alkyl may or may not be substituted, N,N-dialkylcarbamoyl

- whose alkyl may or may not be substituted, N-alkenylcarbamoyl, N-alkenylcarbamoylalkyl, N-alkenyl-N-alkylcarbamoyl, N-alkenyl-N-alkylcarbamoylalkyl, N-alkoxycarbamoyl, N-alkyl-N-alkoxycarbamoyl, N-alkoxycarbamoylalkyl, N-alkyl-N-alkoxycarbamoylalkyl, carbazoyl which may be substituted by 1
- to 3 alkyl groups, alkylsulfonyl, alkylsulfonylalkyl, 3- to 6-membered heterocyclic carbonyl which may have a substituent, carbamoylalkyl, N-alkylcarbamoylalkyl whose alkyl may or may not be substituted, N,N-dialkylcarbamoylalkyl whose alkyl may or may not be substituted, carbamoyloxyalkyl, N-
- alkylcarbamoyloxyalkyl, N,N-dialkylcarbamoyloxyalkyl, 3- to 6-membered heterocyclic carbonylalkyl which may have a substituent, 3- to 6-membered heterocyclic carbonyloxyalkyl which may have a substituent, aryl, aralkyl, 3- to 6-membered heterocyclic group which may have a substituent, 3- to 6-
- 20 membered heterocyclic alkyl which may have a substituent,
 alkylsulfonylamino, arylsulfonylamino,
 alkylsulfonylaminoalkyl, arylsulfonylaminoalkyl,
 alkylsulfonylaminocarbonyl, arylsulfonylaminocarbonyl,
 alkylsulfonylaminocarbonylalkyl,
- 25 arylsulfonylaminocarbonylalkyl, oxo, carbamoyloxy, aralkyloxy, carboxyalkyloxy, alkoxycarbonylalkyloxy, acyloxy, acyloxyalkyl, arylsulfonyl, alkoxycarbonylalkylsulfonyl,

carboxyalkylsulfonyl, alkoxycarbonylacyl, alkoxyalkyloxycarbonyl, hydroxyacyl, alkoxyacyl, halogenoacyl, carboxyacyl, aminoacyl, acyloxyacyl, acyloxyalkylsulfonyl, hydroxyalkylsulfonyl, alkoxyalkylsulfonyl, 3- to 6-membered heterocyclic sulfonyl which may have a substituent, 3- to 6-5 membered heterocyclic oxy which may have a substituent, Nalkylaminoacyl, N, N-dialkylaminoacyl, N, Ndialkylcarbamoylacyl whose alkyl may or may not be substituted, N,N-dialkylcarbamoylalkylsulfonyl whose alkyl may or may not be substituted, alkylsulfonylacyl, N-10 arylcarbamoyl, N-3- to 6-membered heterocyclic carbamoyl, Nalkyl-N-arylcarbamoyl, N-alkyl-N-3- to 6-membered heterocyclic carbamoyl, N-arylcarbamoylalkyl, N-3- to 6membered heterocyclic carbamoylalkyl, N-alkyl-Narylcarbamoylalkyl, N-alkyl-N-3- to 6-membered heterocyclic 15 carbamoylalkyl, aminocarbothioyl, N-alkylaminocarbothioyl, N, N-dialkylaminocarbothioyl, alkoxyalkyl(thiocarbonyl), alkylthioalkyl, or N-acyl-N-alkylaminoalkyl; when ${\ensuremath{R}}^3$ and ${\ensuremath{R}}^4$ are linked together to form a group, the group represents C1-C5 alkylene, C2-C5 alkenylene, C1-C5 alkylenedioxy, or 20 carbonyldioxy; Q² represents aryl which may have a substituent, arylalkenyl which may have a substituent, arylalkynyl which may have a substituent, heteroaryl which may have a substituent, heteroarylalkenyl which may have a substituent, a saturated 25 or unsaturated bicyclic or tricyclic condensed hydrocarbon group which may have a substituent, or a saturated or

unsaturated bicyclic or tricyclic condensed heterocyclic group which may have a substituent; T^1 represents carbonyl, sulfonyl, -C(=0)-C(=0)-N(R')-, -C (=S) - C (=O) - N (R') -, -C (=O) - C (=S) - N (R') -, -C (=S) - C (=S) - N (R') -(wherein R' represents a hydrogen atom, hydroxyl, alkyl, or 5 alkoxy), $-C(=0)-A^1-N(R'')-$ (wherein A^1 represents an C1-C5 alkylene which may have a substituent and R" represents a hydrogen atom, hydroxyl, alkyl, or alkoxy), -C(=O)-NH-, -C(=S)-NH-, -C(=O)-NH-NH-, $-C(=O)-A^2-C(=O)-$ (wherein A^2 represents a single bond or C1-C5 alkylene), $-C(=0)-A^3-C(=0)$ -10 NH- (wherein A^3 represents C1-C5 alkylene), $-C(=0)-C(=NOR^a) N(R^b)$ -, -C(=S)-C(=NOR^a)-N(R^b)- (wherein R^a represents a hydrogen atom, alkyl, or alkanoyl and Rb represents a hydrogen atom, hydroxyl, alkyl, or alkoxy), -C(=O)-N=N-, -C(=S)-N=N-, $-C(=NOR^{C})-C(=O)-N(R^{d})-$ (wherein R^{C} represents a 15 hydrogen atom, alkyl, alkanoyl, aryl, or aralkyl and R^d represents a hydrogen atom, hydroxyl, alkyl, or alkoxy), - $C(=N-N(R^e)(R^f))-C(=O)-N(R^g)-$ (wherein, each of R^e and R^f represents a hydrogen atom, alkyl, alkanoyl, or alkyl(thiocarbonyl) and Rg represents a hydrogen atom, 20 hydroxyl, alkyl, or alkoxy), -C(=O)-NH-C(=O)-, -C(=S)-NH-C (=O) -, -C (=O) -NH-C (=S) -, -C (=S) -NHC (=S) -, $-C (=O) -NH-SO_2 -$, $-C (=O) -NH-SO_2 SO_2-NH-$, -C (=NCN) -NH-C (=O) -, -C (=S) -C (=O) -, or thiocarbonyl), wherein the process is characterized by comprising reacting a compound which is represented by formula (5) and which is 25 produced through a process according to claim 1, 3, 7, 9, or 16 or a salt thereof:

[F31]

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$$-N \longrightarrow N$$
 (5)

with diamines of formula (9) or a salt thereof: [F32]

(wherein R^k is an amino-group-protective group and R^1 , R^2 , R^3 , R^4 , and Q^1 have the same meanings as described above) to thereby obtain a compound of formula (10): [F33]

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
R^1 & R^3 & Q^1 & R^4 & R^2 \\
\hline
N & N & N & N & N
\end{array}$$
(10)

(wherein R^1 , R^2 , R^3 , R^4 , Q^1 , and R^K have the same meanings as described above), and removing R^K from the obtained compound or a salt thereof, to thereby produce a compound of formula (11) or a salt thereof:

15 [F34]

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
R^1 & R^3 & Q^1 & R^4 & R^2 \\
\downarrow & & & \downarrow \\
N & & & NH
\end{array}$$
(1 1)

(wherein R^1 , R^2 , R^3 , R^4 , and Q^1 have the same meanings as described above), and reacting the obtained compound or a

salt thereof with a compound of formula (12) or a salt thereof:

[F35]

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$$HO-T^1-Q^2$$
 (12)

NH-, -SO-NH-, or SO_2-NH-);

5 (wherein $extsf{T}^1$ and $extsf{Q}^2$ have the same meanings as described above).

32. A process for producing a compound of formula (8'):
[F42]

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
R^{1R^3} & Q^1 & R^4 \\
N & & & N \\
N & & & N
\end{array}$$
(8')

(wherein R¹ represents a hydrogen atom, hydroxyl, alkyl or alkoxy;

Q¹ represents C1-C8 alkylene, C2-C8 alkenylene, or $-(CH_2)_m$ - CH_2 -A- CH_2 -(CH_2)_n- (wherein each of m and n represents 0 or an integer of 1 to 3 and A represents an oxygen atom, a nitrogen atom, a sulfur atom, -SO-, -SO₂-, -NH-, -O-NH-, -NH-NH-, -S-

each of R^3 and R^4 , which is a substituent linked to a carbon atom, a nitrogen atom, or a sulfur atom forming the Q^1 -containing ring, represents a hydrogen atom, hydroxyl, alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, a halogen atom, halogenoalkyl, cyano,

cyanoalkyl, amino, aminoalkyl, N-alkylaminoalkyl, N,Ndialkylaminoalkyl, acyl, acylalkyl, acylamino which may have
a subsituent, alkoxyimino, hydroxyimino, acylaminoalkyl,
alkoxy, alkoxyalkyl, hydroxyalkyl, carboxyl, carboxyalkyl,
alkoxycarbonyl, alkoxycarbonylalkyl, alkoxycarbonylalkylamino,

carboxyalkylamino, alkoxycarbonylamino, alkoxycarbonylaminoalkyl, carbamoyl, N-alkylcarbamoyl whose alkyl may or may not be substituted, N,N-dialkylcarbamoyl whose alkyl may or may not be substituted, N-alkenylcarbamoyl, N-alkenylcarbamoylalkyl, N-alkenyl-N-alkylcarbamoyl, N-5 alkenyl-N-alkylcarbamoylalkyl, N-alkoxycarbamoyl, N-alkyl-Nalkoxycarbamoyl, N-alkoxycarbamoylalkyl, N-alkyl-Nalkoxycarbamoylalkyl, carbazoyl which may be substituted by 1 to 3 alkyl groups, alkylsulfonyl, alkylsulfonylalkyl, 3- to 6-membered heterocyclic carbonyl which may have a substituent, 10 carbamoylalkyl, N-alkylcarbamoylalkyl whose alkyl may or may not be substituted, N, N-dialkylcarbamoylalkyl whose alkyl may or may not be substituted, carbamoyloxyalkyl, Nalkylcarbamoyloxyalkyl, N,N-dialkylcarbamoyloxyalkyl, 3- to 6-membered heterocyclic carbonylalkyl which may have a 15 substituent, 3- to 6-membered heterocyclic carbonyloxyalkyl which may have a substituent, aryl, aralkyl, 3- to 6-membered heterocyclic group which may have a substituent, 3- to 6membered heterocyclic alkyl which may have a substituent, alkylsulfonylamino, arylsulfonylamino, 20 alkylsulfonylaminoalkyl, arylsulfonylaminoalkyl, alkylsulfonylaminocarbonyl, arylsulfonylaminocarbonyl, alkylsulfonylaminocarbonylalkyl, arylsulfonylaminocarbonylalkyl, oxo, carbamoyloxy, aralkyloxy, carboxyalkyloxy, alkoxycarbonylalkyloxy, acyloxy, 25 acyloxyalkyl, arylsulfonyl, alkoxycarbonylalkylsulfonyl, carboxyalkylsulfonyl, alkoxycarbonylacyl,

alkoxyalkyloxycarbonyl, hydroxyacyl, alkoxyacyl, halogenoacyl, carboxyacyl, aminoacyl, acyloxyacyl, acyloxyalkylsulfonyl, hydroxyalkylsulfonyl, alkoxyalkylsulfonyl, 3- to 6-membered heterocyclic sulfonyl which may have a substituent, 3- to 6membered heterocyclic oxy which may have a substituent, N-5 alkylaminoacyl, N,N-dialkylaminoacyl, N,Ndialkylcarbamoylacyl whose alkyl may or may not be substituted, N,N-dialkylcarbamoylalkylsulfonyl whose alkyl may or may not be substituted, alkylsulfonylacyl, Narylcarbamoyl, N-3- to 6-membered heterocyclic carbamoyl, N-10 alkyl-N-arylcarbamoyl, N-alkyl-N-3- to 6-membered heterocyclic carbamoyl, N-arylcarbamoylalkyl, N-3- to 6membered heterocyclic carbamoylalkyl, N-alkyl-Narylcarbamoylalkyl, N-alkyl-N-3- to 6-membered heterocyclic carbamoylalkyl, aminocarbothioyl, N-alkylaminocarbothioyl, 15 N, N-dialkylaminocarbothioyl, alkoxyalkyl(thiocarbonyl), alkylthioalkyl, or N-acyl-N-alkylaminoalkyl; when R^3 and R^4 are linked together to form a group, the group represents C1-C5 alkylene, C2-C5 alkenylene, C1-C5 alkylenedioxy, or carbonyldioxy; 20 Q^2 represents aryl which may have a substituent, arylalkenyl

Q² represents aryl which may have a substituent, arylalkenyl which may have a substituent, arylalkynyl which may have a substituent, heteroaryl which may have a substituent, heteroarylalkenyl which may have a substituent, a saturated or unsaturated bicyclic or tricyclic condensed hydrocarbon group which may have a substituent, or a saturated or unsaturated bicyclic or tricyclic condensed heterocyclic

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group which may have a substituent; T^1 represents carbonyl, sulfonyl, -C(=O)-C(=O)-N(R')-, -C (=S) - C (=O) - N (R') -, -C (=O) - C (=S) - N (R') -, -C (=S) - C (=S) - N (R') -(wherein R' represents a hydrogen atom, hydroxyl, alkyl, or alkoxy), $-C(=0)-A^1-N(R'')-$ (wherein A^1 represents an C1-C5 5 alkylene which may have a substituent and R" represents a hydrogen atom, hydroxyl, alkyl, or alkoxy), -C(=O)-NH-, -C(=S)-NH-, -C(=O)-NH-NH-, $-C(=O)-A^2-C(=O)-$ (wherein A^2 represents a single bond or C1-C5 alkylene), $-C(=0)-A^3-C(=0)-A^3$ NH- (wherein A^3 represents C1-C5 alkylene), $-C(=0)-C(=NOR^a)-$ 10 $N(R^b)$ -, -C(=S)-C(=NOR^a)-N(R^b)- (wherein R^a represents a hydrogen atom, alkyl, or alkanoyl and R^{b} represents a hydrogen atom, hydroxyl, alkyl, or alkoxy), -C(=O)-N=N-, -C(=S)-N=N-, $-C(=NOR^{C})-C(=O)-N(R^{d})-$ (wherein R^{C} represents a hydrogen atom, alkyl, alkanoyl, aryl, or aralkyl and $R^{\rm d}$ 15 represents a hydrogen atom, hydroxyl, alkyl, or alkoxy), - $C(=N-N(R^e)(R^f))-C(=O)-N(R^g)-$ (wherein, each of R^e and R^f represents a hydrogen atom, alkyl, alkanoyl, or alkyl(thiocarbonyl) and R^g represents a hydrogen atom, hydroxyl, alkyl, or alkoxy), -C(=O)-NH-C(=O)-, -C(=S)-NH-20 C (=O) -, -C (=O) -NH-C (=S) -, -C (=S) -NHC (=S) -, $-C (=O) -NH-SO_2 -$, $-C (=O) -NH-SO_2 SO_2-NH-$, -C (=NCN) -NH-C (=O) -, -C (=S) -C (=O) -, or thiocarbonyl), wherein the process is characterized by comprising reacting a compound which is represented by formula (5) and which is produced through a process according to claim 1, 3, 7, 9, or 25 16 or a salt thereof: [F37]

$$-N \longrightarrow N$$
 (5)

with diamines of formula (13) or a salt thereof: [F37]

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
R^{1} & R^{3} & Q^{1} & R^{4} \\
\downarrow & & & \\
HN & & & \\
N_{3} & & & \\
\end{array} (1 3)$$

5 (wherein R¹, R³, R⁴, and Q¹ have the same meanings as described above) to thereby obtain a compound of formula (14) or a salt thereof:
[F39]

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
R^1 & R^3 & Q^1 & R^4 \\
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N & & & \\
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(wherein R^1 , R^3 , R^4 , and Q^1 have the same meanings as described above), and reducing the obtained compound or a salt thereof, to thereby yield a compound of formula (11') or a salt thereof:

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$$\begin{array}{c|c}
R^1 & R^3 & Q^1 & R^4 \\
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NH_2 & & & \\
N & & & \\
\end{array}$$

(wherein R^1 , R^3 , R^4 , and Q^1 have the same meanings as described above), and reacting the obtained compound or a salt thereof with a compound of formula (12) or a salt

thereof:

$$HO-T^1-Q^2$$
 (12)

(wherein T^1 and Q^2 have the same meanings as described above).